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Date: March 11, 2012
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Subject: Fatal Traffic Collision – File #P12035605

Riverside, CA: On March 11, 2012 at 1:22 am, members of the Riverside Police and Fire Departments responded to a major injury collision on Mitchell Avenue at Norwood. The collision involved a single vehicle into a parked car.

Eighteen year old **Jesus Gamez** of Riverside, along with his eighteen year old male passenger, were driving a 1994 Ford Mustang southbound on Mitchell approaching Norwood. Witnesses stated the vehicle was involved in a street race with a silver sedan that fled the scene after the collision. The Mustang was traveling at approximately 120 MPH when the driver lost control after running the stop sign at Norwood. The vehicle slid into a parked 2005 Honda Accord. Both vehicles then struck a wooden telephone pole.

Both occupants had to be extricated from the vehicle by RFD personnel. They were transported to Riverside Community Hospital for treatment. The passenger succumbed to his injuries during treatment. Gamez suffered non-life threatening injuries and was also found to be under the influence of alcohol.

The Riverside Police Department Major Accident Investigation Team (M.A.I.T.) responded to the scene and the collision is under investigation.

Anyone with any information is asked to contact Detective Ken Madsen at (951) 826-8723

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